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All Americans have a fundamental right to feel safe in their communities. Congressman Blumenauer is a member of the GLBT Equality Caucus and has been a steadfast advocate for policies to combat discrimination, inequity, and injustice. After years of bipartisan support, the Hate Crimes Prevention Act was enacted into law last Congress, protecting Americans against violence based on sexual orientation, race, religion, gender, national origin, disability, or gender identity by extending the federal hate crimes statute.

[Marriage Equality](#) : Congressman Blumenauer strongly opposes the Defense of Marriage Act that prevents recognition of same-sex marriage.

[Discrimination-Free Schools](#) : Blumenauer believes that all children should feel comfortable in their learning environment and free to participate in school activities with their peers, no matter their gender, race, religion or sexual identity.

[Don't Ask Don't Tell Repeal](#) : At the end of the 111th Congress, Blumenauer joined his colleagues on both sides of the aisle in voting to end the government's "don't ask, don't tell" (DADT) policy. This discrimination should have ended years ago.

[GLBT-related legislation that Congressman Blumenauer has cosponsored in the 112th Congress.](#)